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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP00/05711	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 24 August 2000	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 25 August 1999
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD OF DETECTING AND QUANTITATING MICROORGANISM HAVING SPECIFIC FUNCTION AND ITS GENE FROM NATURAL ENVIRONMENT, NOVEL 16 SrRNA GEE DATA AND PROBES		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information.

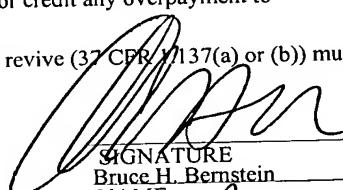
1. This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
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3. This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
4. The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. have not been made and will not be made.
8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).

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10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:

11. Assignee: NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY of Tokyo, JAPAN

12. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
13. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
14. A FIRST preliminary amendment.
 A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
15. A substitute specification.
16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. Figure of Drawing to be published _____
18. Other items or information:
Cover Sheet and International Application as published in Japanese.
PCT/RO/101-PCT Request(in Japanese).
 - PCT/IB/304.
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 - PCT/IB/338.
 - PCT/IPEA/409(in English and Japanese).
 - PCT/IPEA/416(in Japanese).
 - PCT/ISA/210(in English and Japanese).
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 - Cover Letter under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 1.495.
 - Claim of Priority.

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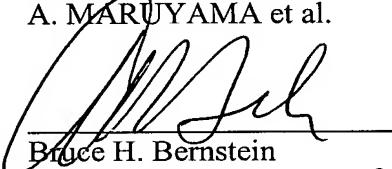
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